

DEPOTS DISPENSE ICE.
THE DRIVERS PEACEFUL.

Improved Conditions—Strikers and Trust Prepare for Struggle.

Preparations were completed yesterday by the American Ice Company for breaking the strike of the ice wagon drivers and helpers. All the depots were open under police protection to allow those who had facilities for carrying ice to obtain it.

A large number of policemen, including one or two mounted men, stood guard at the depot at 15th street and North River, the largest on the West Side. The depot at 9th street and East River, where the East Side gets most of its ice, was also well guarded. There was little or nothing for the police to do, however.

Quiet brooded over the ranks of the striking ice wagon drivers yesterday, but it was that quiet which precedes the storm. The leaders of the various union locals were hard at it perfecting their plans for the struggle which is expected to-day.

At the various "bridges," or floats on which the ice is unloaded from the barges, and at all of the stations and stables of the company all over the city the same uneasy conditions prevailed. In fact there was nothing to indicate that a strike was in progress unless the headquarters of the company, at Broadway and 28th street, were visited or the office of its agents, Wendell & Mahon, at No. 475 West Broadway, where the strike breakers are being booked and special officers are being sworn in.

Some four hundred and fifty men answered the advertisement inserted by the company in all the morning papers yesterday, and the office of Wendell & Mahon was crowded during the entire day and well on into the evening. This company, which does a large employment agency business in several of the larger cities of the country, was ready to fill the vacancies caused by the quitting of the old employees of the ice company, and provided that there would be enough men on hand by this afternoon to enable the company to continue business as usual. It is intended to start work at 6 o'clock this morning with the men already on hand.

The agents of the ice company were careful to select only those who had a thorough working knowledge of the city, as well as some experience as truck drivers. Nearly three hundred were picked and told to report to the temporary quarters which the company has arranged for them. The highest rate of wages paid the old employees will be given the new ones. Fifty-nine of the men taken on yesterday were sworn in as special officers.

A great many customers called for ice yesterday morning at the East 9th street depot with vehicles of various kinds, taking it away in quantities ranging from several hundredweight down to a dozen pounds. But throughout the lower part of New York and the greater part of Brooklyn there were large sections which lacked ice. Even the customers of the independent dealers obtained less than the usual quantity, as the latter were saving ice to obtain new customers. A number of well-to-do people in Manhattan, below 34th street, combined here and there to send vehicles for ice, which they divided. The delicatessen stores which keep open on Sunday had either a very small supply or lacked it entirely.

Yet so far as the general conditions were concerned there was little complaint. The cool weather of yesterday fought for the company, preserving the ice much longer than would have been the case had it been warmer. Many of the larger hotels turned entirely to their own plants for their supplies, and those of them which were not provided with means for making their own ice joined the procession of large consumers and sent their own wagons to the various "bridges" on the river front for such ice as they needed.

Here again the effect of the cool weather was felt, for there was little or no crowding anywhere along the line.

The striking drivers had a mass meeting in the afternoon at Saengerbund Hall, Schermerhorn and Smith streets, Brooklyn, at which President Kearney of the Ice Wagon Drivers' Union presided. One of the speakers who was not present was the one who was not present. It appeared well for him that he was not in the hall. He was denounced in sulphurous language, and a resolution to the effect that he be never allowed to join the union hall again was carried by acclamation.

The chairman said that Coney Island would be tied up tonight so far as delivering ice was concerned, and added: "The foremen are beginning to fight the strikers, and we will get the barge men out. We have pulled out every barge in New York Creek and East New York, and even the men on the flat trolley cars which carry ice are on strike. I want to remind you that the American Ice Company is going to put ice breakers to-day under police protection, so that is what we have to cope with."

Cheers followed, and it was decided that a number of the strikers should be detailed as advance agents to go along the routes and urge the customers not to get ice from the new men. It was reported that there was an excellent chance of getting the barge men out in most of the depots, and that some of the foremen had joined in the strike had refused an offer of an advance in wages.

WOMEN SAVE BIG DAM.

Work Till Daylight Stopping Leak Before Relieved by Men.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)

Denver, June 30.—Mrs. M. J. Reed and the Misses Knight, Reed and McGill last night prevented the breaking of the dam of the great Westland Reservoir, which holds the largest artificial body of water in the state. The women discovered an alarming leak and telephoned for men, then took a team and went to the dam. While the men were on their way, the women went into the crevice and shovelled dirt upon it. After throwing eleven loads of hay and working hard until daylight they were relieved by men, who dashed the repairs and averted what would probably have been a disaster.

TO TEST COLORADO RAILWAY ACT.

Eight Companies in That State Begin Quo Warranto Proceedings.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)

Denver, June 30.—Not content to await the first decision of the State Railway Commission and test the validity of the new act in usual way, eight Colorado railroads have filed quo warranto proceedings in the district court against the Railway Commission and the State Treasurer, demanding that the commission be ousted from office and the law declared unconstitutional. None of the big Eastern prairie roads joined in the suit. The law is considered valid by some of the most experienced railroad attorneys in the country, and the suit will be watched with interest by the Eastern roads entering Denver.

HAVANA CIGAR FACTORIES TO CLOSE.

Havana, June 30.—The cigarmakers who are on strike not having replied to the ultimatum of the manufacturers to submit their differences to arbitration, which expired last night, the manufacturers announce their intention to close all their plants indefinitely.

CONDITION OF CITY STREETS AS RESULT OF STRIKE OF STREET CLEANING DEPARTMENT DRIVERS.



PILE OF GARBAGE AT THE ENTRANCE OF SUBWAY AND BROOKLYN BRIDGE. It has been accumulating since the strike began.



LOOKING SOUTH FROM 9TH AVENUE AND 41ST STREET. Showing the piles of reeking garbage left by the merchants of "Paddy's" market.



62ND STREET AND 9TH AVENUE. Entrance to the elevated station.

JUNE BROKE RECORDS.

Coolest in 75 Years in Washington—Temperatures Low Elsewhere.

Washington, June 30.—The Weather Bureau announced to-night that the month just closed was the coolest June of record in Washington in the last seventy-five years, and that the same was probably true of New England, the Middle Atlantic States and the lower lake region. In other parts of the United States the temperatures were also lower than usual.

The bureau's official statement says in explanation: "As in previous cold June the distribution of atmospheric pressure over the Canadian maritime provinces and the North Atlantic was such as to cause a predominance of ocean winds in northeastern districts, and a blockade of the continental flow either in the Ohio Valley or off the New England coast."

OFFICIALS IN KILLING.

County Commissioner Stabbed to Death by Treasurer.

Charlotte, N. C., June 30.—A dispatch from Bakersville, Mitchell County, gives news of a fatal encounter near there Thursday, when County Treasurer J. C. Randolph stabbed County Commissioner Anderson Burleson to death with a pocket knife. The killing followed a dispute over tax returns.

Randolph was afterwards badly beaten by brothers of Burleson, one of whom is a State Senator. Randolph surrendered.

FRANCIS MURPHY DEAD.

Well Known Temperance Lecturer Expires in Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, June 30.—Francis Murphy, the temperance lecturer, died to-day, following a long illness and general collapse.

Francis Murphy was born in Wexford, Ireland, on April 24, 1836, and received a common school education. He came to this country while a youth, and was married in his twentieth year to Elizabeth J. Ginn, of this city.

He served in the Union Army in the Civil War, and began his active work as a Gospel temperance evangelist in Portland, Me., on April 3, 1870, delivering there his first public address. He then organized the Temperance Reform Club of Maine, of which he was the first president. The "blue ribbon" movement began under his direction in Pittsburg in 1875, more than forty-five thousand persons signing the pledge in the "Old Home" Church, where the meetings were held, as a result of his efforts.

From Pittsburg the work spread rapidly throughout the United States. In the thirty-seven years that Mr. Murphy was prominent in the temperance field he addressed more than twenty-five thousand meetings in this country and abroad. According to the statistics of temperance organizations, he persuaded fully twelve million persons to sign the pledge in that time.

In September 1898, Mr. Murphy was appointed chaplain of the 5th Pennsylvania Infantry for the war with Spain. When the regiment was mustered out he settled in Los Angeles.

Not long ago Mr. Murphy's eyesight began to fail, and he reported that on account of his almost total blindness he would devote the rest of his life to the dictation of his autobiography, giving up all active temperance work. At that time he wrote to the newspaper that he hoped to be able to continue his missionary labors for several years, but apparently he overestimated his physical powers.

Robert S. Murphy, is the Lieutenant-Governor of Pennsylvania.

FIRES PURSUE H. E. POUCH.

New Cottage of Superintendent of State Island Cotton Docks Is Burned.

Two hundred guests at the Hotel Castleton, at St. George, were aroused from their sleep early yesterday morning by a fire which destroyed a two-story and attic frame cottage at Hamilton avenue and Stuyvesant Place, across the street from the hotel. The flames lighted up the sky for miles around. The building was unoccupied, but was being renovated. It was owned by H. E. Pouch, superintendent of the American cotton docks at Tompkinsville, at which there have been so many fires.

When the firemen arrived, twenty minutes after the alarm, they found there was no water to fight the flames, and the building was burned to the ground. The loss is placed at \$20,000.

BOY AERONAUT IN DANGER AGAIN.

Adverse Air Current Carries Him Up a Mile on His "Sky Cycle."

Columbus, Ohio, June 30.—Cromwell Dixon, fourteen years old, made an ascent to-day in his "sky cycle" and was carried up more than a mile by an adverse air current. The propeller of the airship is run by foot power and Dixon has been able to handle it readily in a light breeze.

To-day, after the ship had ascended a short distance, it was caught by a strong current of air which whirled it rapidly upward until only the gas bag could be discerned by the naked eye. After being up half an hour, Dixon landed safely several miles from the starting point.

SUCCESSOR TO MR. WILLCOX.

President Probably Will Not Take Up the Question Before End of This Week.

Oyster Bay, June 30.—The resignation of W. R. Willcox as postmaster of New York City, which has been received at the executive offices here, will be laid before the President to-morrow, and will probably be accepted at once.

Secretary Loeb said to-night that President Roosevelt would not take up the matter of a successor to Mr. Willcox before the end of the week, at least.

New service and tempting short trips offered by the Hudson River Day Line.—Adv.

MR. ROCKEFELLER SEEN

In the Streets of Tarrytown Saturday—Going West at Once.

It is denied at Tarrytown that there is any truth in the report that John D. Rockefeller is at Pittsfield, Mass., or anywhere else, dodging process servers. He was seen in the streets of Tarrytown on Saturday, having come down from Pocantico Hills in his large car to meet a friend at the railroad station. He was also seen a day or so ago playing golf on his private links with Father Lennon, a Catholic priest of the Church of Mary Magdalene.

According to statements made by his servants, Mr. Rockefeller is arranging to leave Tarrytown early this week for Cleveland. Although it is said Mr. Rockefeller fears nothing, the gates of his Pocantico Hills estate are kept locked and guarded, and he did not venture out yesterday as usual to attend services at the Baptist Church.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)

Cleveland, June 30.—The authorities of Cleveland, it is understood, realize the futility of expending a large sum of money in an effort to serve summons on John D. Rockefeller, and therefore will depend on W. L. David, prosecuting attorney of Hancock County, to bring him to court. Mr. Rockefeller, it will be recalled, was summoned to appear in the action against the Standard Oil Company at Findlay, Ohio, but was excused from daily attendance on court by his promise to appear and give testimony whenever the prosecutor desired.

The Chicago authorities, it is said, are planning to have Prosecutor David summon Mr. Rockefeller for appearance before the court in Findlay and then serve summons on him to testify in Cook County. The Chicago officers could wait until the end of the Ohio trial, or could obtain extradition papers and take him to their city, pleading urgency as their excuse for such radical action. Prosecutor David said to-night that it was entirely possible that this plan might be followed. He said he would be guided entirely by the wishes of the federal authorities.

PAUL KELLY ARRESTED.

Man Wanted for Bad Elevated Wreck Found in San Francisco.

San Francisco, June 30.—Paul Kelly, wanted by the New York police on a criminal charge growing out of the death of twelve persons in an elevated railroad wreck in September, 1905, was arrested here last night by local detectives and placed in jail, pending orders from New York. Kelly admitted his identity.

Kelly came out of a well known café last night, when Detectives Edward Gibson and Richard Bell recognized him from a photograph. When placed under arrest he admitted he was the man wanted. He has been here a year, and has been in the employ of the Southern Pacific Railroad, at a local freight yard.

Paul Kelly is accused of causing the Ninth Avenue "T" train to plunge over the guard rail at 33d street, on September 11, 1905. Twelve persons were killed and forty-two were more or less seriously injured. It was the worst elevated train wreck in the city's history, and it was of a kind that had been dreaded ever since the trains began to run.

At the time of the accident, according to several passengers on the train, Kelly was running his train at the rate of fifteen miles an hour, and had run by cautionary signals. He disappeared soon after the accident. Since that time, numerous persons have reported that they had seen Kelly in various parts of the United States.

The accident happened at a point where elevated tracks had long been regarded as most dangerous, where the downtown trains of the Sixth Avenue line turn a sharp curve, crossing the up tracks on a dead level, in order to leave the Ninth Avenue line. It is the rule for the Sixth Avenue line to slow down in approaching the curve, while the Ninth Avenue trains go down the incline from 33th to 29th street at full speed.

At Police Headquarters last night it was said arrangements would be made to-day to bring Kelly back to this city. If he accompanies the police without extradition papers he should be here within a fortnight.

News of Kelly's arrest was received at Police Headquarters here in a telegram signed by Chief of Police J. F. Dinn, of San Francisco. There is a reward of \$500 for Kelly's arrest.

ANOTHER BUILDING NEAR COLLAPSE.

Occupants of Fourth Street House Flee When House Settles a Foot.

A two-story and attic brick house at No. 4 West 4th street settled almost a foot last evening as a result of the recent heavy rains, it is believed. The occupants of the building fled hurriedly, fearing an accident similar to that of a week ago, when the house at No. 30 Walker street fell, killing seven persons and injuring several others.

The house in 4th street was visited by the Bureau of Building Inspectors and temporarily shored up a few days ago. It is old and the police of the Mercer street station have been watching it for some time. Two patrolmen were stationed near the building to prevent persons from passing on that side of the street.

POLICE SET UNION WAGE SCALE.

Want \$3 for Going to Weddings and \$1 or Over for Attending Ball Games.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)

Warren, Ohio, June 30.—The police of this city have formed a union and adopted a scale of payments for all extra duties performed. They have issued a proclamation stating these charges, and although Chief Flowers has not approved their action, they declare "advanced policing" has come to stay.

For work at the baseball park the policemen will be paid \$1 for the first hour and 50 cents for each succeeding hour. For any day work outside their regular beats they demand \$3 for eight hours. The bridegroom will have to pay \$3 if he wishes a policeman at his wedding. For attending "wakes" an official capacity a fee of \$1 an hour will be exacted. Cigars will no longer be accepted as legal tender.

AFTER ALL, USHER'S THE SCOTCH that made the highball famous.—Adv.

PURITAN HIT SCHOONER

Crew of Latter Rescued with Difficulty—Passengers Calm.

Newport, R. I., June 30.—During very thick weather and a rough sea the Fall River Line steamer Puritan, from New York for Newport and Fall River, ran into and badly damaged the schooner Mildred A. Pope, Captain W. D. Robbins, off Falmouth Island, in the Sound just east of New Haven late last night. There was no loss of life, although Captain Robbins of the schooner and two members of his crew and the mate's wife were rescued by a boat's crew from the Puritan with great difficulty.

The schooner, which was bound east with a load of spiles, was struck between the fore and mainmast, and is believed to be very seriously damaged, although her buoyant cargo keeps her afloat and makes it difficult to ascertain her exact condition. The forward daggstaff of the Puritan and the light woodwork about her bow were carried away.

There was no panic among the passengers and very little excitement. As soon as the vessels separated after the collision the searchlights were brought into play, a lifeboat, in charge of Mate Sherman, was launched, and after a heroic battle with heavy seas, all those on the schooner were brought safely aboard the Puritan.

The Fall River Line freight steamer Boston was informed by a wireless message of the accident, and stood by the schooner, which was directly in the path of navigation, until a tug could be dispatched from New Haven to the scene. The steamer Horatio Hall, bound from Portland to New York, which was near by, also offered her assistance by wireless, but was not required.

The Puritan's injuries were not serious, and were repaired by a force of workmen sent from here to Fall River.

The Mildred A. Pope is a vessel of ninety tons, built at Addison, Me., in 1890, and sailing from Machias, Me.

New Haven, June 30.—The schooner Mildred A. Pope, which was in collision with the Fall River steamer Puritan off Falmouth Island in the Sound last night, was towed into this port to-day by the steam tug Ensign, owned by Andrew W. Rose, of New York. The Ensign picked up the schooner off Saybrook.

STEAMERS IN COLLISION.

Unidentified Vessel Disappears in the Darkness in Vineyard Sound.

Boston, June 30.—The steamer Persian, Captain Smith, arrived to-day from Philadelphia with a hole in her bow and several of her plates damaged, as the result of a collision in Pollock Rip Sound, Vineyard Sound, last night, with another vessel, supposed to be the British steamer Hesperides, from Boston for New York.

The accident took place at the time, and the other vessel disappeared in the darkness without making her identity or the extent of her injuries known. The Persian was not damaged enough to require assistance, and reached here with her fifty passengers without further mishap.

HUGHES AND INDIANA.

Boom There for Him May Be Undermining Fairbanks Candidacy.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)

Indianapolis, June 30.—The movement in this state in favor of Governor Hughes of New York as the Republican nominee for President has become so general that the Fairbanks managers no longer shut their eyes to it. They do not believe that any serious attempt is making to take from the Vice-President the endorsement of his own state or prevent him from having a solid delegation in the national convention. They recognize, though, the growing sentiment in favor of Hughes for second choice, and believe that the Fairbanks candidacy is being undermined by it because it is based upon the assumption that he cannot be nominated.

The men backing Governor Hughes are trying to detach Congressman Watson from the Fairbanks camp by making him the candidate for Governor. They understand that Mr. Fairbanks is seeking harmony in the 8th and 9th districts and wants the candidate for Governor to come from that part of the state, asking in return delegates to the national convention. The attempt to bring Mr. Watson into the race is to keep alive the capitalization, \$3,000,000, total surplus and undivided profits, \$3,938,486; total surplus and undivided profits, \$3,938,486.

Though National Chairman New is credited with helping to create a Hughes sentiment, his friends say he is neutral.

BIG CHICAGO BANKS MAY MERGE.

Continental and Commercial National Expected to Consolidate Soon.

Chicago, July 1.—"The Record-Herald" to-day says that the creation of the largest banking institution in Chicago is about to take place in the consolidation of the Continental National and the Commercial National banks. Negotiations to this end have been under way for some time, but with indifferent success until recently.

Now it is believed the merger will come about in time for the amalgamation of the two banks to take place at the session of the banking floors of the Commercial National's new building, which is nearly finished. The new bank will make the following showing: Total capitalization, \$10,000,000; total surplus and undivided profits, \$3,938,486; total surplus and undivided profits, \$3,938,486.

MIDSHIPMAN RUSHED TO HOSPITAL.

George L. Weyler May Have to Undergo an Operation.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)

Newport, R. I., June 30.—Midshipman George L. Weyler, attached to the cruiser Olympia, was brought to Newport to-night on the monitor Florida to be transferred to the hospital at the naval training camp. Midshipman Weyler was taken sick yesterday and this afternoon was transferred to the Florida. He was at once taken to the hospital, where after an examination the surgeon in charge announced that an operation would not be necessary to-night, as his sickness appeared to be light. He will probably be operated on to-morrow.

Go and breathe the pure, cool air in the balsam forests of New Hampshire.—Adv.

JAP POACHERS CAUGHT.

Capture of Twenty-nine on St. Paul's Island by the Perry Reported.

San Francisco, June 30.—The steamer Homer, Captain Donaldson, which arrived yesterday from the Pribilof Islands, brought word of the capture of twenty-nine Japanese seal poachers at St. Paul's Island, off the Pribilof group, by the United States revenue cutter Perry.

YACHTS IN STORMY SEAS.

Winning Boat's Owner and His Nephew Swept Overboard.

Bristol, R. I., June 30.—Sudden squalls and heavy seas made the ocean race of the Bristol Yacht Club from Bristol to Montauk Point to-day a thrilling contest.

Of the eleven boats starting at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon only six covered the eighty-eight nautical miles of the course; two were disabled and two others turned back, while one boat, the Cindy, with five men on board, was missing late to-day, despite the efforts of the racing committee to locate her. The Cindy is owned by A. F. Lewis, of Providence, and was sailed by Captain Higgins.

Former Commodore Tillinghast and James S. Tillinghast, his nephew, who were on the Little Rhody, were swept overboard when off Brenton's Reef by a sudden squall, which almost capsized their craft, but were saved by their comrades. Undaunted by their mishap, they drove the Little Rhody with undiminished canvas through the high seas and sent her home a winner.

EJECT M. O. L. ALDERMAN.

Ferryhouse Employees Carry Kuntze Out Into the Street.

Charles Kuntze, who was elected alderman last fall on the Municipal Ownership League ticket for the 38th District, started for College Point yesterday afternoon. The alderman, who lives at No. 739 East 146th street, reached the New York and College Point ferry, at the foot of East 134th street with his children, one of whom is twelve years old and the other younger, about 5 o'clock. The fare to College Point is 10 cents for all persons more than twelve years old and a half fare for children between five and eight.

Alderman Kuntze handed the gate keeper 20 cents. He was about to pass through the gate when five cents was demanded of Mr. Kuntze for the smaller child. He refused to pay and told who he was, but to no avail. He waited for the next boat and again essayed to get on the vessel. This time Charles K. Patterson, ferry superintendent, handed the alderman his 20 cents. It fell to the floor and one of his children picked it up.

Then two ferry attaches, it is said, picked up the alderman and carried him outside to the street. Kuntze telephoned to the Alexander avenue police station. So did Superintendent Patterson, and Patrolman George Couch was sent around. The alderman demanded that Patterson be arrested for ordering him put out of the ferryhouse. The policeman was in a quandary for the smaller child. He refused to pay and told who he was, but to no avail. He waited for the next boat and again essayed to get on the vessel. This time Charles K. Patterson, ferry superintendent, handed the alderman his 20 cents. It fell to the floor and one of his children picked it up.

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TO END BLACK HAND.

New Orleans Italians Organize—Plan to Deport Criminals.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)

New Orleans, June 30.—To rid Louisiana and the South of the Black Hand and other secret Italian brigandage is the object of the Italian Vigilance Committee, headed by Judge Philip Paterno, an exporter, and composed of the best class of Italians in New Orleans.

A systematic crusade has already been started. The names of fifty suspicious Italians at present living in New Orleans are in a black box, sealed and locked. These are looked upon as bad characters. The records of these men will be investigated in Italy, and if it is proved that any one of them has served a term in prison—and it is believed that many have—they will be deported under the laws of the United States. It is the intention of the vigilantes to solve the Black Hand outrages with deportation. Every dangerous character will be driven out of the country just as soon as his identity is established.

AUTO PLUNGES 40 FEET INTO LAKE.

Lands Right Side Up—Occupants Rescued by a Launch—Two Injured.

Ortonville, Minn., June 30.—An automobile containing Charles and Walter Bucholz and a child to-day ran full speed over a sheer embankment of forty feet into Big Stone Lake, landing right side up in the twenty feet of water. Charles Bucholz was internally hurt by the steering wheel and may die. Walter Bucholz is in a serious condition, but his son, three years old, escaped unhurt.

A gasoline launch made a fast run to rescue the automobilists from drowning.

HELD IN \$50,000 THEFT CASE.

Five Assayers Arrested at Goldfield—1,500 Pounds of Ore Recovered.

Goldfield, Nev., June 30.—Five assayers were arrested yesterday and 1,500 pounds of high grade ore, alleged to have been stolen from the Little Florence mine and valued at \$50,000, was recovered. The men who actually stole the rich ore are said to be under surveillance.

POLAND WATER, NATURE'S CURE.

Purest Spring Water in the World. Park & Sanford, Adger, Merrill & Condit Co., Poland Spring Co., 1189 Broadway, N. Y.—Adv.

GARBAGE PILES HIGH.

EVIL ODORS INFEST CITY.

Mayor Fears Filth Will Cause Disease If Strike Doesn't End Soon.

New York was a metropolis of evil odors yesterday, for the ban of filth placed upon the city by the strike of the drivers of the Street Cleaning Department's wagons was still in force. Despite the efforts of Dr. Darlington of the Board of Health, who has taken charge of the cleaning work, it appeared that the piles of garbage and ashes continued to grow in size all over town.

The danger from disease impressed every one who had anything to do with the great task of removal. Mayor McCellan was at his office all yesterday afternoon, and had several conferences with Macdonough Craven, Commissioner of the Street Cleaning Department, and with Commissioner Darlington. Although a few of the strikers would be allowed to work and Commissioner Craven had closed a contract with the Philadelphia employment agency to furnish him with fifteen hundred men, the prospect of an immediate and thorough cleansing of the city seemed to be far away.

Mayor McCellan summed up the situation from the official point of view when he said, just before leaving his office at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon: "The work done to-day has been very gratifying to me. Not so much has been done as I could wish, but in Chinatown and the lower East Side conditions have been improved. I am not a doctor, but the effects of this piling up of refuse will be exceedingly bad for the children. Nobody doubts that. To the extent the danger may be quickly eliminated I have insisted that the heads of the departments entrusted with the work of removal shall not stop work."

DANGER OF TYPHOID FEVER.

Many physicians realized the danger to the city, and among those who predicted much disease unless conditions were remedied immediately was Dr. Edward E. O'Donnell, of No. 49 West 33d street, who is well known as a specialist on typhoid. He said that not only may typhoid follow from the contamination of water pipes, but that the odor of accumulated garbage had a depressing effect upon persons and placed them in a receptive condition for disease germs.

There is a chance, he said, of O'Donnell's "that typhus fever, sometimes called prison fever," may become epidemic. There have been sporadic cases of it, and about eighty years ago New York suffered from an epidemic, the typhus fever being nearly always fatal. Streets filthy with decaying matter in hot weather soon just the conditions that prime typhus, in which to flourish. Why, I shouldn't be surprised if Asiatic cholera and bubonic plague should follow, for there are many foreigners in the crowded districts, where the garbage situation is at its worst. There will be plenty of stomach troubles, and it is certain the death rate will be increased, especially among children.

Dr. L. A. Worrall Palmer, editor of "The Homoeopathic Eye, Ear and Throat Journal," predicted tonsillitis and bowel diseases, stomach disorders and typhoid to follow the blowing about of the dust from the drying refuse. "The situation," he said, "is much more serious than we can think. The possibilities of an epidemic of one sort or another are very good. I must say that we are lucky to have had comparatively cool weather. A couple of hot days, and these piles of filth will cause the death of many persons, especially young children."

NO CONFERENCE WITH CRAVEN.

The strikers did not send their committee to confer with Commissioner Craven yesterday. The men who returned to the stables did so as individuals and made no stipulation as to treatment, saying merely that they "wanted a job." The strike was still in force, as strongly as ever. It has begun to look as if the men have failed to be impressed by the knowledge that under the rules they have ceased to be members of the department, and have gone automatically to the foot of the Civil Service list.

While the crippled forces were doing its best advice and suggestions made to the officials. The Streets Conference Committee, made up of members of twenty-five civic organizations, prepared an appeal to the Mayor that will be presented to-day. In effect the committee asks that he clean the streets without regard to red tape or precedent. The police have been too gentle in handling the turbulent strikers who have assaulted non-union drivers.

RAIN HELPS CLEAN STREETS.

The heavy rain of Saturday night had the effect of washing away into the sewers parts of the garbage heaps, but when New Yorkers awoke yesterday they found their streets dotted every half block or so with unsightly hillocks of filth. In some of the residential sections of the city the filth was